UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ENCOMPASS INSURANCE COMPANY, as SUBROGEE OF JUAN POLANCO AND MARTINA FERNANDEZ,

Docket # 07-CV-3857(SCR)

Plaintiff,

-against-

DELIMA CONTRACTORS, INC., GENE DE OLIVERIA, INDIVIDUALLY, and d/b/a **OLIVEIR CONTRACTING & ALBERT** PALANCIA AGENCY, INC.,

Defendants.	

Defendant, DELIMA CONTRACTORS, INC., by its attorney, MARIO DEMARCO, as and for its Answer to the Complaint, alleges upon information and belief as follows:

THE PARTIES

- 1. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations numbered "1" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 2. of the allegations numbered "2" of the Complaint.
- 3. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations numbered "3" of the Complaint.
- Admits the allegations set forth in Paragraph numbered "4" of the 4. Complaint.

- 5. Admits the allegations set forth in Paragraph number "5" of the Complaint.
- 6. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations numbered "6" of the Complaint.
- 7. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations numbered "7" of the Complaint.
- 8. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations numbered "8" of the Complaint.
- 9. Admits the allegations set forth in Paragraph numbered "9" of the Complaint.
- 10. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations set forth in Paragraph numbered "10" of the Complaint.
- 11. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations set forth in Paragraph numbered "11" of the Complaint.

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- 12. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations set forth in Paragraph numbered "12" of the Complaint.
- 13. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations set forth in Paragraph numbered "13" of the Complaint.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 14. With regard to the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "14" of the Complaint, the answering Defendant repeats each and every response contained in Paragraphs "1" through "13" inclusive of this Answer, as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 15. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "15" of the Complaint.
- 16. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "16" of the Complaint.
- 17. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "17" of the Complaint.
- 18. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "18" of the Complaint.
- 19. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "19" of the Complaint.
- 20. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "20" of the Complaint.
- 21. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "21" of the Complaint.
- 22. Denies knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "22" of the Complaint.

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- 23. Admits the allegations set forth in Paragraph "23" of the Complaint.
- 24. Denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph "24" of the Complaint.
- 25. Denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph "25" of the Complaint.
- 26. Denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph "26" of the Complaint.
- Denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph "27" of the Complaint. 27.
- Denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph "28" of the Complaint. 28.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 29. of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "29" of the Complaint.
- 30. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "30" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 31. of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "31" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 32. of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "32" of the Complaint.
- 33. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "33" of the Complaint.
- 34. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "34" of the Complaint.

- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 35. of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "35" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 36. of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "36" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 37. of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "37" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 38. of the allegations in Paragraph numbered "38" of the Complaint.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION **NEGLIGENCE** <u>AGAINST DEFENDANTS DELIMA AND OLIVEIRA</u>

- With regard to the allegations set forth in Paragraph "39" of the 39. Complaint, the answering Defendant repeats and realleges each and every response contained in Paragraphs numbered "1" through "38" at length herein.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 40. of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "40" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth 41. of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "41" of the Complaint.

- 42. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "42" of the Complaint.
- Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "43" of the Complaint.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION NEGLIGENCE

- 44. With regard to the allegations contained in Paragraph number "44" of the Complaint, the answering Defendant repeats and reiterates each and every response contained in Paragraphs numbered "1" through "43" inclusive of this Answer, with the same force as if fully set forth herein.
- 45. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "45" of the Complaint.
- 46. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "46" of the Complaint.
- 47. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "47" of the Complaint.

- 48. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "48" of the Complaint.
- 49. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "49" of the Complaint.
- 50. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "50" of the Complaint.
- 51. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "51" of the Complaint.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION BREACH OF CONTRACT AGAINST DEFENDANT'S DELIMA AND OLIVEIRA

- 52. With regard to the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "52" of the Complaint the answering Defendant repeats and realleges each and every response contained in Paragraphs numbered "1" through "51" of this Answer, with the same force as if fully set forth herein.
- 53. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc. contained in Paragraph numbered "53" of the Complaint.
- 54. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc. contained in Paragraph numbered "54" of the Complaint.

- 55. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc. contained in Paragraph numbered "55" of the Complaint.
- 56. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc. contained in Paragraph numbered "56" of the Complaint.

FORTH CAUSE OF ACTION MISREPRESENTATION AND FRAUDULENT INDUCEMENT AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS

- 57. With regard to the allegations contained in Paragraph numbered "57" of the Complaint, the answering Defendant repeats and reinstates each aud every response contained in Paragraphs numbered "1" through "56" inclusive, of this Answer, as if fully set forth herein.
- 58. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "58" of the Complaint.
- 59. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "59" of the Complaint.
- 60. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "60" of the Complaint.

- Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "61" of the Complaint.
- 62. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "62" of the Complaint.
- 63. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "63" of the Complaint.
- Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "64" of the Complaint.
- Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "65" of the Complaint.
- 66. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "66" of the Complaint.

- 67. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "67" of the Complaint.
- 68. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "68" of the Complaint.
- 69. Denies the allegations as asserted against Defendant DeLima Contractors, Inc., and denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations asserted against the remaining Defendants contained in Paragraph numbered "69" of the Complaint.

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The allegations set forth in the Complaint fail to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff's Complaint should be dismissed as there is no privity of contract nor basis to assert any claim against DeLima Contracting, Inc.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Plaintiff's action is barred by the applicable Statute of Limitations.

JURY DEMAND

Defendant, DeLima Contracting, Inc., demands a jury on all issues herein stated.

WHEREFORE, Defendant demands judgment as follows:

- (a) The causes of action by Plaintiff against Defendant DELIMA be dismissed;
- (b) Judgment be awarded to Defendant DELIMA based on its Affirmative Defenses;
- (c) Such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: Port Chester, New York December 15, 2007

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